

# Weyerhaeuser Everett Mill E Site



### Comments accepted:

June 22 – July 21, 2020

### Submit comments:

### **Online at** <u>www.bit.ly/Ecology-</u> EverettMillE-Comments

### Or by mail to:

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## Document review options:

## www.bit.ly/Ecology-EverettMillE

In consideration of public health and safety, Ecology cannot offer in-person review options at this time. If you need document review assistance, please contact Ecology:

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## Site info:

Facility Site ID: 12 Site Cleanup ID: 2903

# Documents ready for public review

The Department of Ecology (Ecology) invites you to comment on an agreed order (legal agreement), supplemental upland remedial investigation work plan, and public participation plan for the Weyerhaeuser Everett Mill E cleanup site (Site). The Site is located next to the Snohomish River in northeast Everett, WA (see page 2).

The legal agreement between Ecology, Weyerhaeuser Company (Weyerhaeuser) and M.A.P. #2, LLC (M.A.P.) will require these potentially liable persons (PLPs) to complete a supplemental investigation, analyze cleanup options, and create a focused cleanup plan. After cleanup in 1999 by Weyerhaeuser under an Ecology-approved cleanup plan, periodic sampling shows that contamination levels may still be present in uncontained parts of the Site. Potential releases like this may be harmful to human health and the environment and must be further investigated and addressed under the Model Toxics Control Act (MTCA).

The following documents are available for review and comment:

- **Agreed Order:** this is a legal agreement between Ecology, Weyerhaeuser, and M.A.P. that requires these PLPs to investigate and describe contamination (Supplemental Remedial Investigation), analyze cleanup options (Focused Feasibility Study), and develop a draft Focused Cleanup Action Plan.
- **Supplemental Upland Remedial Investigation Work Plan:** this document describes required additional testing in soil and groundwater to begin in 2020. This information will support the Final Supplemental Remedial Investigation Report.
- **Public Participation Plan:** this document explains how people can participate in the cleanup process.

# For more information

- 1. Visit Ecology's webpage www.bit.ly/Ecology-EverettMillE
- **2. Contact Ecology** Call or email Ecology staff listed to the left for assistance.
- 3. Request an online meeting

If ten or more persons request a public meeting about the above documents, Ecology will provide notice and hold an online meeting for the community.



## Location and background

The Weyerhaeuser Everett Mill E Site is 8.9 acres located in northeast Everett, along the western bank of the Snohomish River. The Site is approximately two miles upstream of the river's mouth that flows into Puget Sound. It is industrial property that is zoned M-2 heavy manufacturing. The Site was once part of a larger sawmill complex known as Mill B, or the Weyerhaeuser Everett East Site.

- **1915-1948:** Weyerhaeuser used Mill E for lumber storage.
- **1948-1963:** American Lumber and Treating Corporation (Koppers Company aka Beazer East, Inc.) used the Site for treating lumber from 1948 to 1963.
- **1963-1984:** Weyerhaeuser converted part of the facility into an engine maintenance shop.
- **1971-1984:** A small-diameter log sawmill operated at the northeast end of the site.
- **2005:** Weyerhaeuser sold property that included Mill E in August 2005 to M.A.P. who used the site to store wood pallets.

# **Cleanup Completed in 1999**

Weyerhaeuser and Ecology entered into a Consent Decree (legal agreement) in 1998. Under that legal agreement, Weyerhaeuser completed cleanup actions at the Site in 1999. Long-term monitoring has been conducted since then under the terms of the Consent Decree.

There is an Environmental Covenant on the Site that restricts certain activities that would compromise the cleanup.

# **Contamination and focused cleanup**



Everett Lumber plant site along edge of Snohomish River. In center of picture is Mill B, planing mill, loading shed; on far side of bridges is Mill C (dark buildings). Everett Pulp Division kraft mill is in the upper left. Weyerhaeuser Archives.



Pallet and container storage on cleanup site after initial cleanup completed

Weyerhaeuser and M.A.P. conduct annual cleanup performance monitoring under the Consent Decree. Ecology performs periodic reviews of these testing reports. These monitoring reports and periodic reviews are available for review on the Weyerhaeuser Everett Mill E cleanup site <u>Document Repository</u><sup>1</sup> webpage.

Contamination in uncontained areas on the Site requires additional investigation. Arsenic contamination remains in soil and groundwater exceeding MTCA cleanup standards.

Additional testing, beginning in 2020, will provide information for the Supplemental Remedial Investigation Report that will describe the nature and extent of contamination on the Site. The Focused Feasibility Study and draft Focused Cleanup Action Plan will address contamination still present after the 1999 cleanup actions.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> https://apps.ecology.wa.gov/gsp/CleanupSiteDocuments.aspx?csid=2903





Cleanup site facing east, March 2020

# **Ecology's cleanup process**

The Model Toxics Control Act (MTCA; <u>Chapter 70.105D RCW</u><sup>2</sup>) is Washington's environmental cleanup law. It provides requirements for contaminated site cleanup and sets standards that protect human health and the environment. Ecology enacts the MTCA and oversees cleanups. The <u>MTCA site cleanup process</u><sup>3</sup> is completed in steps (see graphic below) over a variable timeline.



# What Happens Next?

- June 22 July 21, 2020: Hold 30-day public comment period.
- Later 2020:
  - Finalize documents. Ecology will review and consider all comments received and respond accordingly.
  - Begin supplemental investigation testing.
- 2021 and beyond:
  - PLPs begin work on Supplemental Remedial Investigation, Focused Feasibility Study, and draft Focused Cleanup Action Plan. These documents will be available for public review and comment.
  - Ecology will approve a final Focused Cleanup Action Plan and determine when it is needed.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> https://fortress.wa.gov/ecy/publications/publications/9406.pdf

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> https://ecology.wa.gov/Spills-Cleanup/Contamination-cleanup/Cleanup-process

# Translations

## En español

Comentarios aceptados: junio 22 – julio 21, 2020

### Someta sus comentarios

En línea: <a href="http://www.bit.ly/Ecology-EverettMillE-Comments">www.bit.ly/Ecology-EverettMillE-Comments</a>

### **O por correo:**

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### Información del Sitio

Si desea leer esta hoja informativa en español, aprender más acerca del sitio y obtenga una copia digital traducida en línea en: <u>www.bit.ly/Ecology-EverettMillE</u>

## Tiếng Việt

Thời gian nhận góp ý: Ngày 22 tháng 6 đến ngày 21 tháng 7 – 2020

Gởi góp ý:

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## **Russian**

Прием комментариев: с 22 июня по 21 июля 2020 г.

### Отправка комментариев

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# Weyerhaeuser Everett Mill E Site documents ready for public review



#### Aerial view of cleanup site area

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Información en español incluida Thông tin bằng tiếng Việt Включена информация на русском языке

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